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RESOLUTION NO. 08-02-60

COUNCIL ADMINISTRATOR FORM OF GOVERNMENT FOR AIKEN COUNTY

(To Request the General Assembly to Approve Additional Funding for the Senior Meals on Wheels Program.)

WHEREAS:

1. Hundreds of seniors in Aiken County receive hot "Meals on Wheels" from the Aiken Area Council on Aging or eat at a congregate meal site; and
2. For many seniors, this meal is the only hot and nutritious meal they eat all day and the delivery of the meal provides human contact and friendship; and
3. Funding for the meals comes from the Federal Government with a state supplement providing funding for additional meals; and
4. The state funding also assists many seniors on a fixed income with fuel bills; and
5. Governor Sanford is recommending that the state funding be eliminated in the FY 2008-2009 State budget; and
6. There is a waiting list of seniors who need the meals, but cannot get them because of limited funding; and
7. The State should take care of the seniors who have been productive members of society but now need some help to survive in their golden years.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE AIKEN COUNTY COUNCIL THAT:

1. The Aiken County Council goes on record as opposing the cuts in the State budget which would eliminate much-needed assistance to senior citizens.
2. County council requests that additional funding be added to the State budget to provide meals to additional senior citizens in the State of South Carolina.
3. A copy of this resolution is to be sent to each member of the Aiken County Legislative Delegation.

Adopted at the regular meeting of Aiken County Council on February 19, 2008.

ATTEST:


Tamara Sullivan, Council Clerk

SIGNED:


Ronnie Young, Chairman

IMPACT STATEMENT:

COUNCIL VOTE: Unanimous
ABSENT: Smith